

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the Claims as follows:

B¹ 1. (Twice Amended) Rubber mixtures comprising uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing rubbers (A), crosslinked rubber particles (B) and multifunctional isocyanates (C), wherein the amount of component (B) in the mixture is from 1 to 150 parts by weight and the amount of multifunctional isocyanates (C) is from 1 to 100 parts by weight, in each case based on 100 parts by weight (phr) of the rubber component (A) and wherein said crosslinked rubber particles (B) have particle diameters of from 5 to 1000 nm and swelling indices in toluene of from 1 to 15 and wherein the gel content of the rubber particles (B) is from 80 to 100 wt.%, and wherein component (A) is non-functionalized to react with an isocyanate.

B² 6. (Twice Amended) Rubber mixtures according to Claim 1, wherein said uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing rubbers (A) are selected from the group consisting of natural rubber, styrene/butadiene rubber, polybutadiene rubber, nitrile rubber, butyl rubber, brominated isobutylene/isoprene copolymers having bromine contents of from 0.1 to 10 wt.% based on 100 wt.% of said brominated isobutylene/isoprene copolymer, chlorinated isobutylene/isoprene copolymers having chlorine contents of from 0.1 to 10 wt.% based on 100 wt.% of said chlorinated isobutylene/isoprene copolymer, hydrogenated or partially hydrogenated nitrile rubber, styrene/butadiene/acrylonitrile rubber, polychloroprene, epoxidized natural rubber or mixtures thereof, carboxylated nitrile rubbers and carboxylated styrene/butadiene copolymers, and wherein component (A) is non-functionalized to react with an isocyanate.

B³ 8. (Twice Amended) A rubber vulcanate comprising rubber mixtures, which comprise uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing rubbers (A), crosslinked rubber particles (B) and multifunctional isocyanates (C), wherein the amount of component (B) in the mixture is from 1 to 150 parts by weight and the amount of multifunctional isocyanates (C) is from 1 to 100 parts by weight, in each case based on 100 parts by weight (phr) of the rubber component (A) and wherein said crosslinked rubber particles (B) have particle diameters of from 5 to 1000 nm and swelling indices in

toluene of from 1 to 15 and wherein the gel content of the rubber particles (B) is from 80 to 100 wt.%, and wherein component (A) is non-functionalized to react with an isocyanate.

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9. (Twice Amended) Molded rubber bodies comprising rubber mixtures, which comprise uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing rubbers (A), crosslinked rubber particles (B) and multifunctional isocyanates (C), wherein the amount of component (B) in the mixture is from 1 to 150 parts by weight and the amount of multifunctional isocyanates (C) is from 1 to 100 parts by weight, in each case based on 100 parts by weight (phr) of the rubber component (A) and wherein said crosslinked rubber particles (B) have particle diameters of from 5 to 1000 nm and swelling indices in toluene of from 1 to 15 and wherein the gel content of the rubber particles (B) is from 80 to 100 wt.%, and wherein component (A) is non-functionalized to react with an isocyanate.

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15. (Twice Amended) A rubber mixture according to Claim 7, wherein said styrene/butadiene copolymers have styrene contents of from 5 to 50 wt.% based on 100 wt.% of said styrene/butadiene copolymer.

Please add the following new Claims:

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16. (New) Rubber mixtures comprising uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing natural rubbers or a mixture of uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing rubbers, wherein at least one rubber is a natural rubber (A), crosslinked rubber particles (B) and multifunctional isocyanates (C), wherein the amount of component (B) in the mixture is from 1 to 150 parts by weight and the amount of multifunctional isocyanates (C) is from 1 to 100 parts by weight, in each case based on 100 parts by weight (phr) of the rubber component (A) and wherein said crosslinked rubber particles (B) have particle diameters of from 5 to 1000 nm and swelling indices in toluene of from 1 to 15 and wherein the gel content of the rubber particles (B) is from 80 to 100 wt.%.

17. (New) Rubber mixtures according to Claim 16, wherein said crosslinked rubber particles (B) include those which have been obtained by crosslinking of the following rubbers: polybutadiene, butadiene/acrylic acid C₁₋₄-alkyl ester copolymers, polyisoprene, styrene/butadiene copolymers having styrene contents of from 1 to 60 wt.% based on 100 wt.% of said styrene/butadiene copolymer, carboxylated styrene/butadiene copolymers, fluorine rubber, acrylate rubber, polybutadiene/acrylonitrile copolymers having acrylonitrile contents of from 5 to 60 wt.% based on 100 wt.% of said polybutadiene/acrylonitrile copolymer, carboxylated nitrile rubbers, polychloroprene, isobutylene/isoprene copolymers having isoprene contents of from 0.5 to 10 wt.% based on 100 wt.% of said brominated isobutylene/isoprene copolymer, isobutylene/isoprene copolymers having bromine contents of from 0.1 to 10 wt.% based on 100 wt.% of said isobutylene/isoprene copolymer, chlorinated isobutylene/isoprene copolymers having chlorine contents of from 0.1 to 10 wt.% based on 100 wt.% of said chlorinated isobutylene/isoprene copolymer, partially and completely hydrogenated nitrile rubbers, ethylene/propylene/diene copolymers, ethylene/acrylate copolymers, ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymers, epichlorohydrin rubbers, silicone rubbers, polyester urethane polymers and polyether urethane polymers.

18. (New) A rubber vulcanate comprising rubber mixtures, which comprise uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing natural rubbers or a mixture of uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing rubbers, wherein at least one rubber is a natural rubber (A), crosslinked rubber particles (B) and multifunctional isocyanates (C), wherein the amount of component (B) in the mixture is from 1 to 150 parts by weight and the amount of multifunctional isocyanates (C) is from 1 to 100 parts by weight, in each case based on 100 parts by weight (phr) of the rubber component (A) and wherein said crosslinked rubber particles (B) have particle diameters of from 5 to 1000 nm and swelling indices in toluene of from 1 to 15 and wherein the gel content of the rubber particles (B) is from 80 to 100 wt.%.

BS 19. (New) Molded rubber bodies comprising rubber mixtures, which comprise uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing natural rubbers or a mixture of uncrosslinked, double-bond-containing rubbers, wherein at least one rubber is a natural rubber (A), crosslinked rubber particles (B) and multifunctional isocyanates (C), wherein the amount of component (B) in the mixture is from 1 to 150 parts by weight and the amount of multifunctional isocyanates (C) is from 1 to 100 parts by weight, in each case based on 100 parts by weight (phr) of the rubber component (A) and wherein said crosslinked rubber particles (B) have particle diameters of from 5 to 1000 nm and swelling indices in toluene of from 1 to 15 and wherein the gel content of the rubber particles (B) is from 80 to 100 wt.%.
